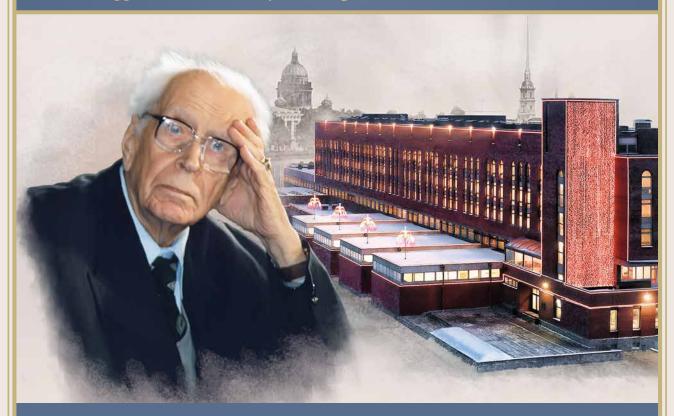
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St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences with support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation



THE 23rd INTERNATIONAL LIKHACHOV SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

May 22-23, 2025



The Conference is held in accordance with the Decree of President of the Russian Federation V. V. Putin "On perpetuating the memory of Dmitry Sergeyevich Likhachov"

No. 587, dd. from May 23, 2001





DECREE OF PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

"ON PERPETUATING THE MEMORY OF DMITRY SERGEYEVICH LIKHACHOV"

Given D. S. Likhachov's outstanding contribution to the development of the home science and culture I enact:

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4. According to the suggestion from St. Petersburg Intelligentsia Congress the International Likhachov Scientific Conference should be annually held on the Day of the Slavonic Letters and Culture.

Moscow, the Kremlin, May 23, 2001 No. 587 President of the Russian Federation

V. PUTIN

GREETINGS BY PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION V. V. PUTIN TO PARTICIPANTS AND GUESTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LIKHACHOV SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

Dear friends!

I greet you on the occasion of the opening of the 22nd International Likhachov Scientific Conference.

Your meetings, which annually bring together in St. Petersburg renowned scientists, cultural and artistic figures, politicians and diplomats from different countries, provide a good opportunity for meaningful and constructive discussions. All the more so because the agenda of the Readings invariably includes a wide range of issues related to the main trends in the development of modern society, both at the national and international levels.

This year's Conference is dedicated to the place and role of the BRICS in the global arena. The choice of this theme is particularly relevant in light of Russia's chairmanship of this authoritative and influential association, which ensures effective joint work of the member states in many areas on the basis of the principles of equality, respect and mutual consideration of interests.

I expect that you will discuss the prospects for the development of the BRICS at a high expert level, and your ideas and initiatives will help us explore new forms and areas of mutually beneficial multilateral cooperation for the benefit of our countries and peoples and in the interests of building a more just, secure and prosperous world order.

I wish you fruitful communication and all the best.

THEMATIC PLAN

The 23rd International Likhachov Scientific Conference

TRANSFORMING THE WORLD: PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS

May 22–23, 2025

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PLENARY SESSION

Transforming the World: Problems and Prospects

PANEL DISCUSSION

Dialectics of the Universal and the Unique in the Destiny of Russia (What Foreign Experience We Need)

May 23, Friday

SECTION DISCUSSIONS

SECTION 1 Transforming the World: Problems and Prospects
SECTION 2 Traditional Values and the Future of Culture
SECTION 3 The Economy of the New Multipolar World
SECTION 4 Law or "Rules" of the New Multipolar World
SECTION 5 What Kind of Person of the Future Will We Bring Up?

(Problems and Prospects of Russian Education)

SECTION 6* In Memory of D. S. Likhachov: International Forum of High School Students

* Section 6 is held on May 17, 2025



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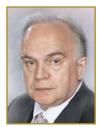
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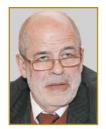


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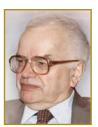
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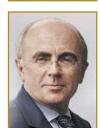
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EXCERPTS ON THE HISTORY OF THE INTERNATIONAL LIKHACHOV SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

Since 1993, St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences has been hosting annual International Scientific Conference devoted to the issues of the humanities of our time. One of the initiators of this Conference was an outstanding Russian scientist and public figure, an internationally recognized humanities scholar, a specialist in the study of culture and monuments of Old Russian writing, an Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences and a foreign member of academies in many countries of the world, Honorary Doctor of St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences Dmitry Sergeyevich Likhachov.

The Conference of 2025 (originally called "Academic Days at SPbUHSS") is 31st in the series, and 23rd under the title of the International Likhachov Scientific Conference.

Since 2001, in recognition of Dmitry Likhachov's special contribution to science and culture and to confirm the scientific significance of the Conference, the special decree of the President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin has given this scientific forum the state status of the International Likhachov Scientific Conference. Its co-founders are the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Russian Academy of Education, and St. Petersburg Intelligentsia Congress. Since 2007, the Conference has been organized under the support of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Traditionally, the Conference agenda includes the most universal discussion topics of our time related to contradictory trends in the development of human society, globalization processes, the role of humanitarian culture and education in the modern world, urgent problems of interfaith communication, tolerance, morality, etc.

Every year more than 1500 major Russian and foreign humanities scholars – scientists, politicians, public leaders, church hierarchs, famous figures of culture and art, writers, journalists – participate in the Conference.

Since 2007, the Conference has included the Likhachov Forum of Russian high school students (since 2014 – the International Forum of High School Students), which brings together the winners of the annual competition of creative works "Dmitry Likhachov's Ideas and Modernity" from all over Russia and abroad.

Since 2008, the Diplomatic Program of the Conference "International Dialogue of Cultures" has been carried out jointly with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia, where foreign ambassadors present their views on the most important problems of our time.

In 2001, 2004, 2006, 2009–2012, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2022, 2024 the organizers and participants of the Conference were welcomed by Presidents of the Russian Federation V. V. Putin and D. A. Medvedev; in 2008, 2010–2019 – by the Chairmen of the Government of the Russian Federation. In 2023 – by First Deputy Head of the Administrative Directorate of the President of the Russian Federation S. V. Kirienko.

Collections of reports and speeches of the participants, texts of sectional discussions and round tables are published every year following the results of the Conference. These proceedings are stored in all major libraries of Russia, CIS countries, scientific and educational centers of many countries of the world. The proceedings of the Conference are presented on the special scientific website "Likhachov Square" (www.lihachev.ru).

2001	The World of Academician D. S. Likhachov's Humanitarian Culture The World of Academician D. S. Likhachov's	2006 2007	Humanitarian Problems of Modern Civilization Dialogue of Cultures and Civilizations in the Global World	2012 2013	Globalization		The Contours of The Future in the Context of the World's Cultural Development Global Development: Challenges of Predictability and Manageability
2003	Humanitarian Culture Education in the Conditions of Formation of a New Type of Culture	2008 2009			Partnership of Civilizations Contemporary Global Challenges and National Interests	2022 2023	Global Conflict and the Contours of the New World Order Dialogues and Conflicts
2004	Education in the Process of Humanization of the Modern World Culture and the Global Challenges of World Development	2010	Dialogue of Cultures and Partnership of Civilizations: the Making of a Global Culture Dialogue of Cultures under Globalization		Contemporary Global Challenges and National Interests The Global World: Systemic Shifts, Challenges and Contours of the Future	2024 2025	of Cultures in the Changing World BRICS as the New Space for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations Transforming the World: Problems and Prospects



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FOREIGN GUESTS

Representatives of 57 countries of the world took part in the International Likhachov Scientific Conference at the SPbUHSS in the course of its history.

Over the years, the guests of the Forum were: President of Kyrgyzstan (1990–2005), Academician A. A. Akayev, Prime Minister of Pakistan (2004–2007) Sh. Aziz, Minister of Turkey for European Union Affairs (2009–2013) E. Bagis, Ambassador of Azerbaijan to the Russia P. Bülbüloğlu, Deputy Minister of Information of Belarus I. I. Buzovsky, Director of School of International Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iran M. R. Dehshiri, Director General of Banque Eric Sturdza B. Desgardins (Switzerland), Director of Centre for Central Eurasian Studies of University of Mumbai C. Deshpande (India), President of the International Peace Research Institute in Geneva G. Galice (Switzerland), Ambassador of Spain to the Russia (2008–2011) J. A. Mark, President of the Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry "Switzerland – Russia and CIS Countries", journalist and writer G. Mettan (Switzerland), writer, President of "The

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St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences was founded by the Russian Trade Unions on October 9, 1926. Its tasks initially included training leaders of the world trade union movement, then – heads of cultural and tourism institutions of socialist countries.

Over the past 25 years, the University has become one of the leaders in higher education in Russia. Today, about 8 thousand students study there. The university has 5 branches, including one abroad – in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

SPbUHSS is one of the country's largest innovation centers in the field of the humanities, developing a number of unique specialties at the intersection of art, culture and information technologies. The University trains highly qualified professionals in 31 specialties and areas of training: Conflict Management, Law, Management, Economics, Journalism, Linguistics, Art History, Social Work, Acting, Choreography, etc. About 3 thousand students study full-time at the University in St. Petersburg, it employs about 80 doctors of sciences and professors, over 150 candidates of sciences and associate professors, 38 People's Artists and Honored Workers of Science, Culture and Art of Russia.

Over the years of the existence of St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences, about 47 thousand specialists have received their degrees here. According to the Federal Service for Labor and Employment, over 99.9 % of graduates are successfully employed.

Every year, St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences hosts 20 large-scale scientific conferences, including the International Likhachov Scientific Conference.

Among the well-known results of the University's research work is the "Declaration of the Rights of Culture", developed at St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences

under the leadership of Academician Likhachov, as well as the culture-centric model of the university, recognized by the Russian Academy of Education as innovative and the most promising for Russia in the 21st century. Over the past 10 years, the University has published about 1,100 titles of scientific and educational literature with a circulation of about 500 thousand copies. On the 115th anniversary of the birth of D. S. Likhachov, the fourth edition of the Academician's selected works on Russian and world culture was published.

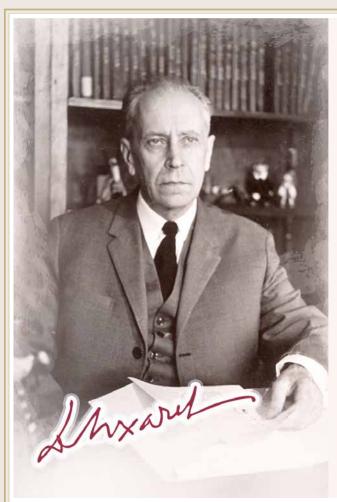
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SPbUHSS maintains partnerships with a number of universities and research centers in Europe and the USA, carries out a wide exchange of students and teachers, and conducts joint scientific research.

Rector of St. Petersburg University of the Humanities and Social Sciences, Academician Alexander Zapesotsky is a scientist recognized in the international scientific community, a specialist in the field of culture and higher education, honorary doctor of universities in the USA, Ireland, Ukraine, Poland, Belarus, Academician of the Academy of Sciences and Arts (Paris), the European Academy of Sciences and Arts (Salzburg), laureate of the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of St. Petersburg awards in the field of education, the Gorky Literary Prize, the Prize named after G.V. Plekhanov awarded by the RAS, National Award "Best Books and Publishing Houses of the Year".







The culture of every nation, large and small, has the right to preserve its uniqueness and identity. The entire set of phenomena and products of the material and spiritual culture of the people constitutes an organic unity, the violation of which leads to the loss of the harmonious integrity of the entire national culture.

D. S. Likhachov. Declaration of the Rights of Culture D. S. Likhachov. Selected works on Russian and World Culture. SPb.: SPbUHSS. 2015.

The development of culture is not only a movement forward, a simple "movement in space" – the transition of culture to new, advanced positions. The development of culture is, basically, the selection on a global scale of all the best that has been created by humanity.

D. S. Likhachov. Russian Culture of Modern Times and Ancient Rus'
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